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The Honorable Jocelyn G. Boyd
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Public Service Commission of South Carolina
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RE: Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc.
Notice of New Natural Gas Construction Project

Dear Ms. Boyd:

Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. ("Piedmont" or "Company") is required to notify the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") "[o]f any construction projects resulting in a cost of \$500,000 or more." See 26 S.C. Code Ann. Reg. 103-412.2.7. In compliance with Commission regulations, this letter serves as notification to the Commission that Piedmont plans to install 7.3 miles of new 12-inch natural gas transmission pipeline in Greenville and that the project will result in a cost greater than \$500,000. The project corridor originates west of Natural Trail Drive and terminates north of Woodruff Road and east of Garlington Road. When fully operational, this project will replace the Company's existing 10-inch pipeline in the area, which was originally installed in the 1960's and has been modified many times over the years; the existing 10-inch pipeline will be de-rated to high pressure distribution. The need for this transmission pipeline replacement project is two-fold: 1) to meet current Federal Department of Transportation inspection and assessment requirements and allow Piedmont to remain in strict compliance with federal safety regulations, and 2) to maintain Piedmont's ability to meet the natural gas requirements of its existing customers in the Greenville area while still allowing for the anticipated future growth in the area. Piedmont expects this project to be completed by December 2012.

By copy of this letter, Piedmont is also notifying ORS of this construction pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Reg 103-412.2.7(A).

Please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions.

Sincerely,

/s/ Scott M. Tyler
Scott M. Tyler

cc: Office of Regulatory Staff
Pia Powers
James H. Jeffries IV

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

VERIFICATION

COUNTY OF MECKLENBURG

Pia Powers, being duly sworn, deposes and says that she is Manager, Regulatory Affairs of Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc., that as such, she has read the foregoing letter and knows the contents thereof; that the same are true of her own knowledge except as to those matters stated on information and belief and as to those she believes them to be true.

Pia Powers

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Mecklenburg County, North Carolina

Signed and sworn to before me this day by Pia Powers

Date: *July 13, 2012*

Sandra K. Hammond

Sandra K. Hammond, Notary Public

(Official Seal)

My commission expires: August 4, 2013

